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In re Application of: Aliison et al.

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Serial No.: 09/649,461

Examiner: Sharma, S. R.

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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR GENERATING AND SENDING MESSAGES IN A MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN RESPONSE TO A CHANGE IN LOCATION OF A SUBSCRIBER

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated October 18, 2002, having a term that will expire on January 18, 2002. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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—In mobile communications networks, information regarding mobile subscribers are stored in databases, referred to as home location registers (HLRs) and visitor location registers (VLRs). HLRs store information about subscribers that belong to the same network as the HLR. VLRs temporarily store information about subscribers who are currently “roaming” in the area serviced by that VLR. The VLR may belong to the subscriber’s home network or to a foreign network. The HLR and VLR store information needed to correctly route voice calls or data communications